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1. [] Accompanied Mr. Lloyd Lauderdale, Acting, DD/S&T, to a briefing of Senator Milton Young in response to his request for information on Foxbat. The briefing was a friendly one and lasted about 45 minutes. In addition to Foxbat, the discussion covered Soviet aircraft generally, further discussion of the sensitive project which is being terminated and related matters. At the close of the meeting Senator Young said that there were a number of other topics that he would like to talk with us about if we do not have a Subcommittee meeting soon. I told the Senator that we were anxious to meet with the Subcommittee at the earliest possible date but that we would be happy to talk with him separately on any item he desires.

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Informed Sourwine that our only recent information regarding [] (see Journal of 27 May 1968) is an Embassy report that he is now in []. I further informed Sourwine that the [] issue of Newsweek contains an accurate account of [] foreign travels and activities to which we can add nothing of significance.

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25X1 4. [] Called Russ Blandford, House Armed Services Committee staff, to tell him the Director's response to Chairman Rivers' letter was on the way, that the Director would be glad to brief the Committee on the Philadelphia Inquirer item, but this was a complex subject and detailed discussion would be time consuming. Meanwhile, I said I would be glad to give the problem a general once over with Blandford if he so desired. Blandford replied that there was no need to meet on the question now, and there was no urgency regarding a response, but the Director should be prepared to discuss the [] allegations at his next appearance before the Subcommittee. Blandford could give no estimate as to when this would be other than to remark it might be during July or August.

The above was reported to the Director, and it was explained that apparently the queries had been triggered on Blandford's initiative, and did not necessarily reflect any particular concern by Chairman Rivers.

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25X1 Sourwine also asked what progress had been made regarding the [] I said we hoped to have an answer in a few days. Sourwine was under the impression that [] visa to remain in [] expired on 5 June and I assured him that according to our information he had until 10 June. In any event, I said we should be prepared to discuss the matter well before that.

25X1 Called [] EA/DDP, and asked him to: (a) try to obtain from the field information regarding [] and (b) expedite the statement of DD/P position []

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